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W. S. KNIGHT,

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We are having a rushing trade in spite of the bad weather. Holidays are coming and we still have a great many bargains that we are compelled to close out during the month of December

IT WILL PAY YOU TO SEE OUR FINE LINE OF CAPES AND FURNISHING GOODS BEFORE PURCHASING ELSEWHERE. WE ALSO HAVE A LARGE STOCK OF CLOTHING THAT WE WILL CLOSE OUT AT A GREATLY REDUCED PRICE.

Good as Gold Bleach Dom	5c
Best Sea Island Dom	5c
Good Sea Island Brown Dom	4c
Good Calico	2½c
Standard Oil Red Calico	3½c
Best Standard Calico	4c
Big lot Remnant Calico at half price.	
Good cotton Chex	2½c
Heavy Cotton Chex	4c
Fine Cheviot cotton chex for	5c
Good Heavy Jeans	12½c
Extra Heavy Jeans	20c
Table Oil Cloth, Best quality	10c
Good Waterproof	38c.
Heavy blue Duck	10c
Extra Quality Small Chex Gingham	5c
Fine Dress Style Gingham	5c
Yd wide L. L. Domestic	3½c
Good cotton Flannel	4c
Heavy Cotton Flannel	7c
Nice quality white flannel	15c
Fine heavy all wool twilled red flannel	12 1-2c
150 large 10-4 Blankets gray and white 50c pair.	
100 Large Blankets worth 1.25 for 75c	
100 extra heavy blankets worth 1.75 for 1.00.	
We also have a fine line of comforts.	
Fine line yd wide Percals	5c
20 pieces dress style outing, worth 10c reduced to	8 1-3c.
10 pieces heavy mottled flannel	10c
Raudom wool underwear going at 50c per suit.	
Men's heavy undershirts for	25c,
Men's heavy fleece lined underwear for 75c per suit.	
Men's heavy wool undershirts for	75c
Mens heavy all wool drawers for	50c
Men's heavy cotton flannel drawers	25c
Men's heavy wool sox for	15c
Ladies wool hose	15c
Men's good business suits	2.50
Men's Cashmere suits	3.50
Men's fancy brown suits for	6.50
Men's fine all wool Clay worsted suits for	6.50
Men's Black clay worsted suits reduced from 10.00 to	8.50
Mens black clay worsted suits for	5.00
Youth's heavy winter suits for	2.50
Youth's heavy Cashmere suits	3.50
Men's heavy braded Jeans pants	75c
Men's Everyday pants	75c
Men's Fine Quality Sunday Pants	1.00
Child's knee pants	15c
Child's knee pants extra heavy	25c
Child's heavy wool suits	1.00
Child's heavy all wool knee suits	1.50
Childs Jersey suits, all wool	1.50
Mens Mackintoshes going at	1.50
Heavy quality	2.50
Heavy Overcoats at	3.50
A good fine comb for	5c
2 papers brass pins	5c
5 papers iron pins	5c
2 dozen safety pins for	5c
A good coarse comb for	5c
10 spools thread for	25c
5 papers needles for	5c
Heavy cotton elastic for	5c
Ladies sleeve vests	for 15c
Children's Klondike union suits	50c
Ladies heavy grey hose,	8 1-3c
Ladies black hose	5c pr
Ladies fine black hose for	5c.
Ladies heavy ribbed vests for	25c
Ladies heavy union suits	50c
Ladies fine dress skirts for	1.00
Ladies heavy black skirts worth 2.50 for	1.50
Ladies fine kid shoe worth 1.50 for	1 00
Mens oil grain congress shoes	1 00
Mens Sunday shoe for	1.00
Ladies heavy glove grain button shoe worth 1.00 for	85c
Ladies fine dongola shoe for	75c
Big line baby Shoes for	25c
Childrens heavy shoes	75c
Boys heavy buckle shoes for	75c
Childrens heavy braded shoes for	85c
Mens heavy kip boot	1.50
Mens fine Hamilton & Brown, guaranteed, boots for	2 50
Large shipments of men's hats just received.	
We have an elegant line of mens black hats crush style, for	1.00
Mens wool hats for	75c
Mens and boys caps	25c

Call at our store and we will show you just what we advertise. All goods that are not as represented bring them back and we will refund your money. Very respectfully,

W. S. KNIGHT,

SOUTH SIDE SQUARE McKINNEY, TEXAS.

From The Colliu County Soldier Boys.

Comp Mosby, San Antonio, Tex., Dec 7, 1898.—A new order of duty went into effect at Camp Mosby yesterday. Reveille now brings the soldiers out of their tents at sunrise every morning. Under the new arrangement they breakfast at 7:05, have dinner promptly at 12 and supper at 5 p. m. Tatoo at 10 p. m. and taps one hour later, Only two hours each day will henceforth be spent in drilling during the winter season and a portion of this time will be consumed in calisthenic exercises, and as the period for drill comes early in the morning when the atmosphere is cool and bracing, and all are refreshed from the long night's rest, the soldiers enter very eagerly into this duty which they seem to enjoy more than ever.

A petition of 800 signers was mailed to the Texas delegation of congressmen at Washington from the enlisted men of this regiment one day last week asking them to use their influence in getting the Fourth mustered out of the service. About forty-five members of Company C appended their names to the document. The petition was the leading topic of discussion in camp for several days and no few think that it will effect the regiment's final discharge in the near future, or if not securing it mustered out, will be the cause of it being sent somewhere for more active duty than heretofore has fallen to its lot to perform. Either of these dispositions would be welcomed by the volunteers as preferable to the monotony of inactive, stationary camp life. The Colonel, Lieutenant Colonel and two other commissioned officers of the regiment are now in Washington.

Hon. William M. Abernathy, the ever iudefatigable friend of the Collin Guards, paid his second visit to our camp Monday, that he has honored us with since we left McKinney. He came from Austin where he was called on legal matters, and could not resist coming over to see the Collin boys when that close. That he has a warm place in the hearts of all Company C was demonstrated by the cordial greetings extended him by the boys.

W. T. Greer arrived back in camp Monday, after a twenty days' hunting excursion with friends in Uvalde county. Some luck attended his party which brought down one deer.

A large shipment of clothing and supplies was made to this regiment on the 29th ult, from several points in the north and east. Hence the prediction is often heard that the government still intends some sort of duty for the Fourth somewhere and that it wont be among the first of the volunteers to be mustered out.

Polk Oats, our new quartermaster sergeant, made an importont deal yesterday which has immortalized him with all ef Company C. He bartered some surplus supplies for a quantity of oat meal, some sour kraut and some molasses, and although the molasses are dark and strong enough to take the hair off a poor dog's back, on which Mack Ogilvie accidentally spilled the contents of his tin pan at dinner yesterday, they are nevertheless appreciated by the varacious soldiers who always welcome any sort of relief from bacon and beans.

James J. Crockett has been detailed to help take a herd of cavalry horses to the Pacific coast. He will probably leave Fort Sam Houston tomorrow for his long journey.

M. D. Maddox has returned from a furlough visit to his home in Cherokee county, Texas.

Lieutenant Hugh F. McDonald and Sergeant Willie R. Abernathy are attending the Masonic Grand Lodge of Texas now in session at Houston. They represent the McKinney chapter and lodge respectively in that annual conclave of the ancient fraternity.

Since leaving McKinney no event has occurred at home that cast a deeper gloom over Company C than the news of J. P. Dowell's death. The sad information recalled some kindly act or favor to almost every one which the big hearted merchant and friend had at some time or other bestowed. They all unite in paying tribute to the memory of the departed and in extending condolence to the bereaved.

E. E. Flannagan has returned from Princeton where he visited home folks on furlough.

W. Murphy, one of Company C's most reliable members, is wood dispenser for the regiment. The recent cold snaps have made him much in demand.

A large squad of Company C boys explored the famous cave a few miles north of San Antonio Sunday. "Baby" Lewis nearly brought disaster to the party, by getting wedged and fastened in the small opening, through which air and exit must be had.

Horace Knott is Company C's representative on the trumpet corps recently organized in the regiment.

Corporal Ed Rambo returned from a furlough to McKinney to find a sergeancy awaiting him. Ed is one of the Fourth's most reliable members and deserving of any honors.

C has been in the hospital for thirty days. Health is exceptionally good among all the troops quartered in San Antonio.

In the absence of the colonel, lieutenant colonel and one of the majors, Capt. Rhea of Company C is second in comma d of the regiment, being acting major of the first battalion.

Hugh L. Kirkpatrick was circulating among Camp Mosby friends Saturday. During his absence on furlough at McKinney his discharge was granted, and he came back to secure the final papers of dismissal from Uncle Sam's employ. Hugh leaves numerous staunch friends in the regiment. W. B. W.

Headache

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While they rouse the liver, restore full, regular action of the bowels, they do not gripe or pain, do not irritate or inflame the internal organs, but have a positive tonic effect. 25c. at all druggists or by mail of C. I. Hood & Co., Lowell, Mass.

Death of Prof Brown.

Prof. M. H. Brown died today at 12 o'clock near Wetsel school house, four miles south of town. Prof. Brown was a candidate for a short while prior to the primary election for county superintendent of public schools, but withdrew from the race. He had only been teaching about two weeks at Wetsel, typhoid fever claiming him for its victim. His remains wrre taken to Weston for burial.

CASTORIA
For Infants and Children.
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Repository of Many Secrtes.

A lawyer is the repository of more secrets than a priest or doctor," said a member of the fraternity while taking his ease at the club.

"Mostly rascality," suggested a listener.

"Well, yes," admitted the lawyer. "It is my experience that there never yet was a case where one side was wholly in the right and the other side wholly in the wrong. That is what makes it easy on a lawyer's conscience to one side. You didn't think he had one? Come, give us something new. But what I was about to say is that very few people have a conscience."

"I thought everybody had one?"

"Theoretically everybody has, but it is only used in judging other people's acts. When a man is personally interested he puts his conscience to one side. That's what makes work for the lawyers. Every term there are hundreds of cases tried in which one party knows he is entirely in the wrong, but hopes to get the better of his oponent by some slip of the law.

"The root of the trouble," he went on, "is that people have got their morals mixed. Nine tenths of the people think that nothing is wrong unless the law says it is. If they should happen to land in a country where stealing was unknown, and where, of course, there would be no laws against it, they would feel justified in stealing. Now laws don't make crimes; crimes make laws. If there wasn't a law on the statue books it would still be wrong to kill, steal, cheat or commit any other crime, but you can't get people to understand that. Any mean, overbearing, tricky or wrong action that the law does not absolutely forbid they will do; the inherent sense of justice which is supposed to lurk in every man's heart is largely a myth."

"Why don't you preach that to your client?" asked his friend.

"And lose all my clients? No thank you," said the lawyer indignantly.

England is preparing to convert the port of Kingston, Jamaica, into a great naval depot. It will be the Gibraltar commanding the two oceans. Your Uncle Samuel will be near by and control the ditches dividing North and South America.—Sherman Democrat.

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LOCAL NEWS.

Personals and Happenings of Interest Gathered for The Democrat's Many Readers.

THURSDAY.

Joe Crouch, the grocer, is in Dallas today on business.

O. C. Spencer returned from a two weeks stay at Cooper.

Eld. B. F. Wilson of Plano is the city.

A. J. Veal of Farmersville is in the city on business.

Berry Miller of Dallas is the guest of Col. R. DeArmond and family today.

Sergeant Will Abernathy of Co. C. 4th Tex. arrived home on a furlough this morning.

B. F. Furgerson and son returned home last evening from Cooper where he has been doing some contracting for the past few months.

Mrs. Casey, wife of Rev. Casey, three children and Mr. C's mother arrived here yesterday afternoon from Terrell and will make their home with us hence fourth. We extend hearty welcome.

C. N. Warden local deputy sheriff of Farmersville passed through today enroute to the asylum with a lady who has been adjudged insane and who lived somewhere near that place.

McKinney schools are coming up with A 1 reports and it seems every one is well pleased with the progresss being made.

T. J. Walden, representing the Winona Mills came home today from a business trip to Plano, Wylie and other Texas points.

Eld. S. K. Hallam and R. C. White returned last night from the farmers convention at Fort Worth.

Supt. W. M. Erwin has added a number of improvements to his office and it looks like a new place.

Regardless of Age.

The kidneys are responsible for more sickness, suffering, and deaths than any other organs of the body.

A majority of the ills afflicting people today is traceable to kidney truble. It prevades all classes of society, in all climates, regardless of age, sex or condition.

The symptoms of kidney trouble are unmistakakable, such as neuralgia, rheumatism, sleeplessness, pain or dull ache in the back, a desire to urinate often day or night, profuse or scanty supply.

Uric acid, or brick dust deposit in urine are signs of clogged kidneys, causing poisoned and germ-filled blood. Sometimes the heart acts badly, and tube casts (wasting of the kidneys) are found in the urine, which if neglected will result in Bright's Disease, the most dangerous form of kidney trouble.

All these symptoms and conditions are promptly removed under the influence of Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root. It has a world wide reputation for its wonderful cures of the most distressing cases.

No one need be long without it as it is so easy to get at any drug store at fifty cents or one dollar. You can have a sample bottle of this wonderful discovery, Swamp-Root, and a book telling all about it, both sent to you absolutely free by mail. Send your address to Dr. Kilver & Co., Binghamton, N. Y. and kindly mention that you read this liberal offer in The Democrat.

FRIDAY.

Rev. and Mrs. Allen of Erudia are in our city shopping today.

S. M. Barnes an enterprising gin man of Melissa is in the city.

Tom Hesley returned yesterday from a business trip to Denison.

Mrs. Harrington of Plano is visiting her daughter, Mrs. W. B. Schimmelpfennig.

Will Dowling who has been visiting in the city returned to his home at Denison today.

Mrs. Mable McKinney of Serman who has been visiting relative here returned home today.

Miss Betsy Wiley who has been visiting in Dallas the past few days returned home last evening.

Charlie Painter who has been sick for two week of slow fever is reported still right sick today.

G. M. D. Williams one of Collin's most prosperous farmers was in the city yesterday on business.

Mrs. L Morton who has been visiting her daughter in Van Alstyne returned home this morning.

At a meeting of the K. of P's. Tuesday night the following officers were elected: E. R. Hall C. C., F. E. P. Shrader V. C., Giles McKinney P., Wm. Shirley K. of R. S., J. H. Blake M. of W., Henry White M of F., J. C. Saunders M. of E., Harry McDonal M. at A., Alford Allen I, G., Jonas Bass O. G., J. R. Parker was elected as the new trustee Judge M. G. Abernathy was elected as representive to the grand lodge and W. H. Sims alternate represetative.

SATURDAY.

Jack Walden of Allen is in the city.

A. M. Nelson of Roland is in the city.

J. D. Rattan of Anna is among us today.

Andy Williams is reported on the sick list today.

R. A. Bishop of Princeton is in the metroplis today.

Prof. Fritz of Melissa is here attending the Teachers institute.

Miss Mary Harris of Austin is the guest of Miss Leslie Pearson.

Marvil Williams has purchased the Lazy Neck saloon on south Tennessee street from Fox Smith.

Eld. Saunders of Austin, who has been the guest of Eld. Hallam for the past few days left today for Greenville and other Texas points.

W. J. Thurman who has been a blacksmith here for several years and who has made many friends has quit the anvil and accepted a position with the firm of Parlin & Oorenduff

Ed Baddick's wood team ran away this morning in south east McKinney and after running four or five blocks they collided with a pole, running astride of it, and stopped. No damage was done.

Forty dollars were the receipts of the ladies bazaar. Although the weather was very disagreeable the bazaar was well patronized and everything was sold out.

Our affable clerk Pat Moulden was awakened this morning before day and had to roll out and fiix'em up. It was just a common pair of marriage licens that's all, the young man was in a hurry and lived afar.

The Owl Club.

The cold snowy weather had no power to freeze the enthusiasm of the "Owls" on last Friday, for well they knew the good cheer that awaited them at the hospitable home of Mrs. McAulay. Seated around the glowing fire we scarcely realized that the storm king was master of the situation outside. We were pleased to have as guests, Mrs. Aron, Misses Hattie and Nettie Erwin, Mattie White and Minnie McCraken. Eleven members responded to roll call, expressing their sentiments in regard to clubs. They were all very nice indeed. One of them deserves special mention, as it was written by our club poet: "The answer to roll call is 'Club Sentiments,' I believe; and just how I am to answer this I cannot conceive. I have spent many hours, looking pages o'er and o'er; and on this subject am none the wiser than before. Hence this poem, I trust you will heed; then, dear Owls, accept the will for the deed."

The lesson for the afternoon was omitted on account of our leader being absent. Our hostess took charge of us and treated us right royally

First she introduced a "Geometrical puzzle." We puzzled our brain some time before its mysteries were unfolded to our astonished visions, and like all other diversions, it seemed very simple after you once understood it. Mesdames McDowell and Pardue being first to unravel the tangled words, were both awarded dainty souvenirs. We were certainly fortunate in having so many musicians in our midst, as the music was quite a feature of the afternoon's program. Seemingly our hostess wished to excel herself for she now invited us into her dining room where a scene of beauty met us which brought foth exclamations of delight from all present. We were treated in a way which only those who have partaken of Mrs. McAulay's hospitality can appreciate. But hush! hark a deep sound strikes like a rising knell. Did ye not hear it? Yes, it is just Mr. Plemmons reminding us that the cab is waiting and it is time to go home. Next meeting will be with Mrs. Greer Dec. 16th.

Mr. and Mrs. Bristol Entertain.

The hospitable home of Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Bristol was a scene of rare beauty and loveliness last evening. It being the occasion of an entertainment in honor of Miss Rudolph of Missouri. The house was charmingly decorated with evergreens, and while it was so cold and disagreeable out, inside this beautiful home all was warmth, gayety and comfort. A large crowd of the leading young people of the city were present and a splendid and entertaining time was enjoyed. Mrs. Bristol, the royal entertainer that she has so often demonstrated herself to be, added new laurels to her crown last evening, and in her genuine genial easy manner tenderly lavished her generous courtesies on one and all alike, scattering joy and sunshine in every heart. She was assisted by her sisters, Mrs. P. H. Rudolph and Miss Eubanks of Missouri.

The leading features of enjoyment of the evening were, music, cards and dancing, interspersed with brilliant and pithy conversation and enchored by happy laughter. At the usual hour dainty refreshments were served which all enjoyed to the fullest extent. All in all the occasion was one succession of brilliant and enjoyable incidents, and when the parting hour arrived, though the hours were already growing small, each guest seemed loath to bid adieu to a scene of so much pleasure and enjoyment, thanking over and over again their charming hostesses who had been so generous and thoughtful of ever one.

Anna Anthems.

(Delayed)

Anna, Tex., Dec. 4, '98.

A Shirley's commodious dwelling is nearing completion.

J. F. Schunewerk, Anna's efficient and accommodating railroad agent, left on the morning train yesterday in company with his wife, seeking pleasure and recreation. Their destination is Scott, Mo.

The schools of this community seem to be progressing nicely but with rather small attendance, owing to the farmers being behind with the gathering of their crops.

The new text books are causing considerable inconvenience besides the general dissatisfaction with several of the books. The writer's prophesy is that we will hear considerable more complaint in the future.

Saturday was unfavorable for out door work, and consequently there was a good crowd in town. The recent ruling of the court on the commission law was the chief topic.

Government ownership seems to be gaining ground among the best informed people of all parties. Ex-Representative J. L. Greer so expressed himself to the writer and a number of others.

On the west side of the railroad at Anna can be found for sale anything from the most modern farm machinery to a dish of nice chili, with men to wait on you who know how. Rox.

The following "new game law," is credited to the Georgetown (Ky.) News. If it should appear too "game" to our readers it must be remembered it comes from a "game" state: Lightning rod agents may be killed from October 1, to September 1; spring poets from March 1 to June 1; scandal mongers, April 1 to Februrary 1; umbrella borrowers, August 1 to November 1, and from February 1 to May 1, while every man who accepts a paper two years, but when the bill is presented says, "I never ordered it," may be killed on sight without reserve, or relief from valuation or appraisment laws, and buried face downward, without benefit of clergy.

Senator Vest will take the lead in the upper chamber of congress against the expansion doctrine. He has laid out his lines of battle on the old beaten and accepted theory that taxation without representation is wrong, and contrary to the principles of Americanism. —Ennis Daily News.

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The Closing and Coming Year.

MRS. COX.

Tick, tock, goes the clock,
And the time is drawing near
When the old year will be ended
And the New Year will be here.

Tell us, can you look with pleasure
On the time now passed away!
Were you guiding, helping, loving
Fellow mortals on your way.

As the present year is closing
And you settle your accounts,
Have you gained in wealth or knowledge
Either vast or small amounts?

Can you bid the New Year welcome
As you view the morning sun,
Feeling that the Old Year left you
Rich rewards for work well done?

Year by year we fill the pages
Of the record book of life;
All our deeds are there recorded,
Every sorrow, pain, and strife.

As the New Year fast approaches
We prepare to turn a leaf;
Are we hoping for improvement
In the coming year so brief?

Make lifs's record bright as noonday,
Let there be no blotted page;
And you'll read it with much pleasure
When your eyes are dimmed by age.

Philippine Toponymy.

According to Mallet, the island of Luzon was so called because its Spanish conquerers observed that in front of the cabin of every inhabitant there stood a large cylindrical wooden mortar, which, in the language of the Tagalas, was called a losong, and in which was pounded the rice that formed, and still forms, the staff of life of these people.

The name Manila (or Mainila as it is spelled) is supposed to be compounded of the two Tagala words, ma, an apocopated form of mairon, "(where) there is," and nila, the shrub (Ixora manila) of the order Cinchonaceæ, which grows in great abundance on the shores of the Bay of Manila.

The name Cavite is a very slight alteration of that of a native village, which was so called from the shape of the bay upon which it stood, the Tagala word cavit meaning a "hook" or "bend,"

The Visaya or Central Philippine Islands derive their name from their inhabitants, who, at the time of the arrival of the Spaniards, had the custom of painting their entire body in different colors. The Spanish name is from the native word "bisaya," meaning "painted man."—Scientific American.

Conditions in Porto Rico.

United States Consul Hahna at San Juan, Porto Rico, writes to the department of State as follows:

I am receiving hundreds of letters from all classes of people in the United States, asking about Porto Rico. Most of these persons say they intend coming to Porto Rico for work or to go into business, and they want to know all about the country. To go into detail and answer all these hundreds of letters would require the services of several clerks; but I have said to nearly all these inquirers that no American seeking work should come to Poto Rico. I have also said to business men in the United States that, in my opinion, they would be disappointed if they came here now to establish themselves; that the time had not yet arrived for an American to go into business in Porta Rico. I believe the time will come when this will be a good field for the investment of American capital, and when nearly all kinds of business conducted in an American style will be profitable; but that time will not come until the island has American government, until the laws of the United States are enforced and tariff changes made. Then, I believe, this island will take on new life; but our people who think of doing business in Porto Rico should be made to understand that the existing high duty on American products prohibits their shipping building material, machinery for factories or plantations, etc., or establishing any kind of businesss with profit. Most of our business men who have come here simply look the island over, pronounce it rich and possessing golden prospects for the future, but decide that it is too early to invest. The American press should inform our merchants and business men of the true situation."

YOUR CONFIDENCE,

And Fair Dealing on Our Part,

Is what We are building the future development of our business on. We know if we can secure your confidence and convince you that

We are Doing Business on Straight Lines

We shall have no trouble in keeping your account. It is our purpose to demonstrate to you that we can buy and sell goods as cheap as any house in the country, and having had a very liberal and satisfactory trade, and fair profits for goods sold during the year, we have decided in order to start anew the 1st of January, without scarcely a heavy winter article left in stock, we are going to

Offer You Greater Inducements to Have Your Trade

through December than we have ever given before. We shall make you the lowest prices possible on every article in the house. In fact we propose to satisfy your pocket book; without quoting prices we ask you to investigate our stock and convince yourself of the truth of our assertion. We have goods that you want and assure you the price will not be in the way. We shall

ALWAYS TRY TO TREAT YOU RIGHT

Believing in the principle that honesty and fair dealings is profitable. We know, too, that we are calling on sensible and business people when we present you with this and know that we must be able to meet their demands and further assuring you of our ability to do this, ask you to be sure and see us through December and January for your Dry Goods, Clothing, Boots, Shoes, Hats, Caps, Trunks, Gloves, Hosiery &c. We have everything in the line of Dry Goods.

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THE DEMOCRAT

THURSDAY, DEC. 15, 1898

F. C. THOMPSON, Editor and Proprietor
WALTER B. WILSON, Local Editor.

God Give Us Men.

"Men whom the spoils of office will not buy,
Men who have opinions and a will,
Men who have honor, men who will not lie."

Our Editorial Platform.

We will speak out, we will be heard,
Though all earth's systems crack,
We will not bate a single word,
Nor take a letter back.

We speak the truth, and what care we
For hissing and for scorn,
While some faint gleamings we can see
Of freedom's coming morn?

Let liars fear, let cowards shrink,
Let traitors turn away,
Whatever we have dared to think
That dare we also say.
—James Russell Lowell.

Nat G. Henderson is getting out a clean, ably edited newspaper at Austin. His selections are excellent indeed,

E. P. Turner, Gen. Pass. Agt. of the Texas & Pacific railroad, is sending out a beautiful calendar. It is no trouble for Mr. Turner to answer questions, neither is it any trouble for him to remember his friends with beautiful tokens.

Now the bond is made and approved and the contract is signed and McKinney goes marching on. Water works and city sewerage then a cotton mill, an opera house, a town clock and substantial side walks. Then comes free mail delivery and street cars. Look out! Somebody hold us.

The World's Great
Blood Purifier is
Hood's Sarsaparilla,
Which absolutely
Cures every form of
Impure blood, from
The pimple on your
Face to the great
Scrofula sore which
Drains your system.
Thousands of people
Testify that Hood's
Sarsaparilla cures
Scrofula, Salt Rheum,
Dyspepsia, Malaria,
Catarrh, Rheumatism,
And That Tired
Feeling. Remember this
And get Hood's
And only Hood's.

At the Churches.

Yesterday was a quiet, uncomfortable, uneventful, gloomy day in McKinney. All day long the clouds hung dark and threatening over our city, and while the wind was not disagreeable, the snow underfoot was, and the sidewalks were almost impassable in some places. The general disagreeable and threatening attitude of the weather kept a great many people from attending the churches and reduced the number of little folk at the Sunday schools.

At the Methodist church the services were as usual and the attendance there was a little better than an average for such a disagreeable day. Rev. Casey preached two able sermons both morning and evening, and his audience seemed well pleased. It was Mr. Casey's first appearance before our people and he has made a good impression already. Those who have heard him are outspoken in praise of his eloquence and logic.

At the Baptist church Dr. King preached to average congregations, while other services were as usual.

Rev. Richardson filled the pulpit at the Presbyterian church, and his congregations were good considering the inclement weather.

Eld. Hallam preached a splendid sermon at the morning hour, but on account of the cold weather the evening services were lightly attended and there was no preaching.

At the Cumberland Presbyterian church Rev. Stephens' congregation missed him very much. All the services except preaching were held as usual.

Thus the Sabbath day was passed in McKinney. All day long the streets were empty and desolate. and only a few church goers here and there could be seen.

At the Court.

Since yesterday noon the court has had some trouble getting down to business. Men who had charges pending against them and which charges were on the docket for trial got them quashed in some instances, while others had their troubles passed and postponed and in others bonds were forfeited, and the work must be done over. Up to noon today not a single case had come to trial, hence but little interest is being taken in the proceeding and only those who are interested in the proceedings are to be seen about the capital. About the biggest rush in that part of the city is for marriage licenses at County Clerk Pat Moulden's office.

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Prayer meetings were very well attended last evening considering the threatening attitude of the weather.

Christmas guns and big fire crackers are already reminding us that the hollidays are about here and the turkey is strutting around like he would be the leading feature of the season and we have no doubt but what he will.

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Special low rates tickets to points in the Southeastern states will be sold by the Texas & Pacific Railway Company from al points on its line, December 20 and 21, the same as in former years. It should be borne in mind that passengers have the choice of three gateways via this line in going back to their old homes for Christmas and New Years, namely: New Orleans, Shreveport and Memphis. It is with a feeling of pleasure and pride that we offer you the best passenger service in the South.

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The Vacant Desk.

Composed and written by two schoolmates of little Hal Pierce deceased.

There's a vacant desk before us,
When in school we take our seats.
Oh, we miss him yes we miss him
Though it's only a few weeks
Since he was a jolly school boy
And we can almost hear him speak.

The cruel monster death so suddenly
Came and carried him away.
'Tis a lesson we should learn to be
Ready to meet death any day,
For we know not the coming of the
Angel that took little Hal away.

And while his grave so newly made,
Is covered o'er with cold cold snow,
How soon we all may follow
None of us do not know.

Woman's Home Mission Society Meets.

Dec 12th, although few in number, the Woman's Home Mission Society of the Methodist church met with Mrs. Lou Crouch who is a charming hostess, and we felt paid for our trouble in wading through mud and snow to meet at this pretty and hospitable home. Rev. Casey conducted the devotional exercises in an able and devont manner. We were glad to welcome him in our society and with his co-operation expect much to be accomplished the ensuing conference year.

With sadness and expressed sympathy we moved from our ranks some of our staunchest workers.

As Monday, Dec. 19th will be our last meeting before the holidays, it was decided to meet with Mrs. Shrader and invite our Foreign Missionary sisters to be with us. We have arranged a nice program as follows, beginning at 2 o'clock sharp:

Glory Peace (Reading)—Mrs. Dr. Caldwell.

Our Xmas song—Mrs. Dr. Burton.

Vocal Solo—Mrs. J. Forbes.

Woman's Work in Home Missions—Mrs. Jas. Wiley.

Paper—Mrs. Eller.

Vocal Solo—Mrs. Dr. Gibson.

A Xmas Hymn (Reading)—Mrs. J. Stiff.

Our Duty to Our Foreign Population—Mrs. Dr. Throckmorton.

Vocal Solo—Mrs. C. Heard.

Our Reading Course and Authors—Mrs. M. [illegible] Garnett.

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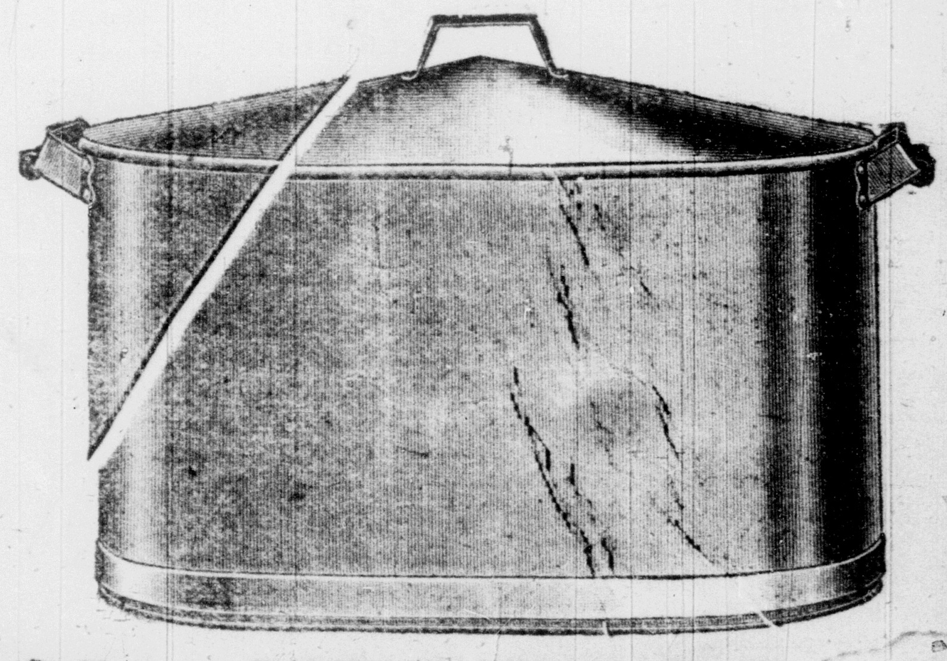

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The above is a nucleus of art supplies, to which we hope to add as the call demands.

SMITH BROS.

Marriage License

The following marriage licenses have been issued at the clerk's office since Monday morning:

Harry L. Hunter to Miss Sue Gaff.

J. R. Parker and Miss Maudie Boren.

John Stout and Miss Addie M. Foote.

W. T. Guest and Miss M. J Ha[illegible].

Dr. F. M. Young and Miss Maggie Kirbey.

O. M. Park and Miss Bulah Harrison.

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There will be special services held in the Presbyterian church next Sabbath both morning and night, it being the last Sabbath they will worship in their old building. After next Sabbath, their services will be held in the court house until the completion of their new building, the erection of which will begin in the near future.

The old reliable Nickel Store is the place to get tinware, glassware, queensware and all of the little articles that it takes to furnish a kitchen.

If he smokes, you will touch a tender spot in his heart by giving him a box of our Fadaro cigars, only 1.25 a box. SMITH BROS.

Trinity Laurels.

Some social entertainments have been given recently in our midst.

Mr. Marion Mayers and wife visited the latters parents, Mr. Cave, last week.

After a brief lapse of time we again come to you with the news from our vicinity.

Messrs. Jessie and Monroe Orenduff, and Mr. Willie Hale visited in McKinney Thursday last.

Prof. Landrum of Hawthorne College called on Mr. Orenduff and spent the night with the family.

Mr. Tollie Cave is soon to vacate his present place of living to go further East, but still to be in our vicinity.

Mr. J. Smith is doing some valuable building on this place recently which will add greatly to the looks of his home.

We are glad to know that the people are always ready and willing to go down in their pockets to assist those in distress.

Mr. Hale, we are sorry to say, is soon to leave us for his new home near Heardland. We are sorry to loose such an estimable gentleman from our midst.

There was no school Friday as that and the succeeding day, (Saturday), was the time of the Institute of the Collin county teachers and our county superintendent says, the attendance of teachers on that occasion is compulsary.

The children of school enjoyed supremely the snow Thursday evening, and one little boy, Master [illegible] Rowe, was so inthused he said it was the good Lord picking his geese. Yours sincerely

ROSE BUD.

Largest stock of pure old whiskies, Peach and Apple Brandy, Wines, Gin and Cigars, for Holidays, jug trade a specialty. City Drug Store.

Ed & Will the barbers do first-class work. You can get a shave and a bath for 25 cents at their place, west of Foote House.

THE COUNCIL MEETING.

WATER WROKS TALKED TO A FINISH—CONTRACTOR AND ENGINEER PRESENT.

COMMITTEE GOES TO RUSK

To Examine the Piping—Bond to Be Looked Into--The Contract Signed and Work to Begin.

That McKinney has a Mayor and a Council in whom we can place implicit confidence and whose business capacities are away above the average is amply proven in the two meetings of that body last evening and this afternoon. They were both call meetings or rather strictly business meetings. Kelly & Steele the contractors for the constructing of our waterworks and city sewerage with engineer N. Werenskiold were present, the former had their bond and were ready to sign the contract. The Council spent the greater part of the evening in looking over the contract, seeing that every feature was alright. The bondsmen for the contractors being unknown to our Mayor and Council a few days will be spent in looking into their qualifications as bondsmen and seeing and konwing that they are gilt edge. While there is no doubt but that they are alright still it is but the carrying out of a good business principle to look clearly into the matter and assure themselves of the fact. The values involved and the responsibilities resting upon their acceptance demand that they thoroughly understand not only every feature of the contract put the exact financial condition of the bondsmen of the contracting parties This course of our able City Council will meet with the approval and appreciation of every one A committee of four, viz: N. Werenskiold, Mayor Pearson, F. B. Wilson and H. A. McDonald were appointed to go to Rusk where the pipes for the laying of the water maines are being made by the state penitentiary force and examine the pipes and see that they are O. K. before they are shipped here. This committee will start this evening or tomorrow The intention on the Council is to get every thing closed up as soon as possible and let the work commence. We are not able just now to state what day the work will commence but it is safe to say that it will begin in a few days.

Latter—The contracts have been approved and signed and the bond accepted.

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W. M. Hynds of the I. T. Sundayed here with home folks.

Nice china dishes at the Nickel Store.

County clerk Pat Moulden Sundayed with home folks in Murphy.

Largent-Barnes.

At the home of the brides parents Mr. and Mrs. John Barnes, yesterday evening at 6:30 o'clock Mr. Ed Largent, one of McKinney's prominent young business men and Miss Dora Barnes a beautiful and accomplished young lady of our city were united in the holy bonds of matrimony, surrounded only by relatives of the family and a few intimate friends. Eld. Hallam performed the ceremony which was very solemn and beautiful. After hearty congratulations had been extended, the happy party was conducted into the broad dining hall which was beautifully decorated and where awaited them a sumptuous repast of excellent loveliness and gorgeous beauty. The wedding was a surprise to a great many of the friends of the contracting parties and scarcely a single person knew of it till it was all over. Thus again we record the happy consumation of Cupid's silent and happy capers and the friends of the happy couple gladly join The Courier in wishing for them a life of unalloyed love and pleasure and ever hoping for their happiness and success.

MONDAY.

Don't miss the greatest chance of your life but call on Goostree Houston.

If your best friend is in the army he will appreciate one of those fine military brushes we are showing. Prices from 2.50 to 5.00.

SMITH BROS.

J. D. Page has returned from an extended trip to the south.

When you want a shave or a bath go to Ed & Will the barbers. You can get both for 25 cents.

Morris Feuchtwanger spent the Sabbath in Dallas.

Good lamps at the Nickel Store.

The trustees of the Wetsel school were in town today and appointed Tom Wilson as teacher to [illegible] caused by M. H. [illegible], was [illegible] recently.

To settle the Stomach and Overcome the Nausea of Prospective Mothers, take Simmons Squaw Vine Wine or Tablets.

The returns from the Prohibition election held in precinct No. 7 last Saturday show that the precinct has gone dry by a large majority.

Have Goostree & Houston to quote their prices to you.

Handsome presents at little cost at The Nickle Store.

Wade Cunningham of Denison is in the city.

Tom [illegible] Foot of Dallas is doing the [illegible] today.

Jno. Donohue of Ennis arrived today and will act as night operator of the H. & T. C., while O. G. Smith, the present night operator, goes to Richardson as day man.

Dr. Provine went to Dallas this morning.

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TEACHER'S MEETING

It was announced that the Collin County Teachers' Institute would convene at McKinney Dec. 9 and 10; and accordingly, a small number of the ever faithful ones presented themselves at Supt. Erwin's office Friday morning, but owing to the absence of those on program, and the small attendance occasioned by the inclemency of the weather, the program was not taken up until 1:15 p. m.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Institute was called to order by Superintendant Erwin, who presided with the firm, and unassuming, but dignified manner which characterizes him.

The program for the afternoon began with "L. C. M. in arithmetic," by G H. Chance. Mr. Chance handled the subject in a very satisfactory manner; and after some discussion on this point, Mr. Fritz was called upon to show the value of "Jesuit Schools as a Factor in Reformation." By some mistake Mr. Fritz had made his preparation on another subject, and was excused by the Institute,—his subject being deferred to be presented at a later date.

I. A. Armstrong then proceeded to give his method of conducting a recitation in geometry. We concluded from his work that his marked individuality could not fail to interest his class.

Mrs. Borum introduced the next discussion which was on "My Greatest Difficulty with the Text Book Law." She began with this statement: "My greatest difficulty has not been with the law nor with the books, but in licking the stamps and in securing the books." Her remarks were full of valuable instruction, and her humorous way of presenting things is always enjoyed. The teachers entered heartily into this discussion and each gleaned much useful information from the experience and ingenuity of the others. It is said that "necessity is the mother of invention," and we believe that if any one has proven this the teacher has done so. This concluded the program for the afternoon.

On motion of Mr. Yarbrough a short business session was held for the purpose of electing a secretary. Misses Minnie L. Blankenship, Ruth Sneed and Lee O. Plemmons were nominated, the names of Misses Sneed and Plemmons were withdrawn and Miss Blankenship was unanimously elected.

On motion the Institute adjourned to meet at Hawthorne College Saturday morning at 9 o'clock

SATURDAY MORNING SESSION.

The house was called to order and the following program was carried out:

"At what stage of advancement should physiology be introduced?" Those who were to lead the discussion being absent, Mr, Armstrong was called upon, and responded in his usual genial manner. He was followed by others on the subject, and quite an interesting debate followed until it was found that all agreed.

Mr. Page asked, "How many classes should a teacher in the rural school attempt to teach?" All seemed to agree that he should have a much smaller number than he does have, but in order to hold his job, he must teach everything presented.

"Subtraction in algebra" was another subject for which the leaders were absent. Mr. Horne treated the subject in a very entertaining manner, by sending a number of teachers to the board, and propounding many searching questions to them. His class seemed to be well prepared, and he proved himself a scientific and interesting teacher.

After the program was rendered the following committees were appointed by the chair:

Commitiee on program: Messrs. Ryan, Marshall, Armstrong, Kemper, Page, Misses Stewart and Plemmons.

Committee on resolutions of respect: Messrs. Cross, Hogge, Yarbrough and Miss Sneed.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON SESSION.

Institute met and was called to order.

The first question offered was, "When should history be introduced?" Mr Kemper and Superintendent Ryan, followed by others, expressed their opinions based on experience and observation. Mr. Striplin then desired to know, "Which should be taught first, the history of Texas or that of the United States?" This brought out the same diversity of opinion as the preceeding query, and after this debate, Mr. G. P. Gadberry was asked to discuss the "Pnysical Geography of Texas." He was present but did not know that he was on the program and was excused.

The next number then called which was the "Use of the diagram in Grammar," by Miss L. O. Plemmons. We all concurred in her belief that the diagram can be successfully used as a device, but that it can, and often is, used for purposes for which it is not intended.

Superintendant Ryan then came forward in answer to the question "Is the Country School Course too extended?" His remarks showed deep thought and careful consideration in all points touched upon, and his suggestions were appreciated by all present. Next, Prof. Marshall, on the same subject, proved beyond all doubt that he knew something outside of college walls. His interesting address contained much that was beneficial as well as entertaining.

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What classes can you get?	Latin, Greek, French, German, English, History, Economics, Botany, Physics, Chemistry, Geology, Astronomy, Physiology, Pschology, Logic Moral Science, Arithmetic, Geometry, Trigonometry, Analytics, Calculus.	

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G. L. MARSHALL, President,
J. H. NEWTON, Vice-President,
C. C. PERRIN, Treasurer.

The committe on resolutions reported as follows:

We, the committee appointed to draft resolutions expressive of the sense of the Institute concerning the death of Prof. M. H. Brown, submit the following:

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

Whereas, we have learned that Prof M H. Brown, one of the leading teachers of Collin county has been summoned by the realm messenger of death, and

Whereas, we knew him for some time as a student and classmate in Texas Normal College, and ever found him to be a young man of sterling worth and ability, and a true Christian gentleman, and

Whereas. we, as teachers of Collin county, have known him for some years, and always found him a true and faithful teacher, therefore, be it

Resolved, that the teachers of Collin county have lost a faithful co-worker; the people, a first class instructor; the wife, a kind and affectionate husband; and the church and Sunday school, a true member;

That we hereby tender our sympathy to the bereaved ones and bow in humble submission to the will of the all-wise Creator and Ruler of the universe.

That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the bereaved wife and father of the deceased. Respectfully,

C. C. Cross,
Thos. Hogge,
W. L. Yarbrough,
Ruth Sneed,
Committee.

TOYS NOTIONS

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LOCAL NEWS.

Personals and Happenings of Interest Gathered for The Democrat's Many Readers.

TUESDAY

Gerome Sneed is in Dallas today on business.

Buy a piano from my new Xmas stock. J. T. Couch.

Old papers at this office for sale 25cts per hundred.

Cure Stomach Troubles, Cold Feet and Hands, Excessive Menstrual Flow, with Simmons Squaw Vine Wine or Tablets.

Mrs. M. Aron went to Dallas this morning visiting.

Christmas goods at the Nickel Store.

Special lot of Xmas fruits and candies at Goostree & Houston's.

Mr. L. N. Baugh is still very sick at his room on North Kentucky street.

If you feel Dull, Languid, Broken-Down, Debilitated have Weak Stomach or Indigestion, use Dr. M. A. Simmons Liver Medicine.

Young chickens, tender hens and fat roosters at Goostree & Houston's.

Berry Munger has been laid up a day or two with a severe cold and cough.

Bargains in organs at J. T. Couch's until Jan. 1st.

Dr. M. A. Simmons Liver Medicine searches out all Impurities in the System, and expels them harmlessly by the natural channels.

Staple groceries! At Goostree & Houston's

Miss Fannie Jackson, the milliner, returned this morning from a visit to Sherman.

T. F. Aster of Promise [illegible], ex-postmaster, Iowa, says: "I bought one bottle of "Mystic Cure" for Rheumatism and two doses of it did me more good than any medicine I ever took." Sold by Smith Bros. Druggists No 4 East Side square.

For county maps call on J. H. Jenkins.

Hook & Ladder Co. No. 1. held their regular monthly meeting at the City Hall last night.

Right now most people are interested in gift things. We have many staple articles that will make acceptable Xmas presents.
SMITH BROS.

Bring your butter and eggs to the Star Restaurant.

Arthur Melton of Co. C 4th. Texas stationed at San Anatonio is furloughing among his many friends.

The Nickel Store is selling goods cheap—not cheap goods.

Scholarships for Sale or Trade.

Two business scholarships for sale or trade. Call at this office

A shave and a bath for 25cts at Ed & Will's.

The Throckmorton Memorial Association meets this evening at 7 o'clock at the court house.

So much depends upon the purity of the blood that by taking Hood's Sarsaparilla many different diseases are cured.

Economy in buying edibles by Goostree & Houston is to ensure economy for their patrons.

Yule Tide Gleanings. If you are looking for a present for any member of the family let us suggest something in the brush line, we have them for all purposes
SMITH BROS.

We have done everything we can to make the UCKSKIN BREECHES perfect. We believe they are as near perfect as good Jeans, good thread and careful work can make them. That's why we put the printed guarantee in the pocket of each pair. It means if you don't find them all right, in every way, you can get your money back.

Square meals and lunches to order at the Star Restaurant.

WEDNESDAY

Pains in the chest when a person has a cold indicate a tendency toward pneumonia. A piece of flannel dampened with Chamberlain's Pain Balm and bound on to the chest over the seat of pain will promptly relieve the pain and prevent the threatened attack of pneumonia. This same treatment will cure a lame back in a few hours. Sold by City Drug Store.

J. O. U. A. M. will meet tomorrow, Thursday night. All members are requested to be present.

If troubled with Dizziness, Furred Tongue, Bitter Taste in Mouth, Bloated Feeling after eating, Constipation or Sick Headache, use Dr. M. A. Simmons Liver Medicine.

Mead's Canada Rye, very old and pure, smooth and mellow. Best liquor for medicinal or any any other use, sole agentcy at City Drug Store.

As you go to the Post Office stop at the Nickle Store first door west.

Goostree & Houston have such nice holiday goods. Their store is quite a novelty,

Lunches of all kinds at T. L. McMennany's.

Lieut. Provine of Co. C 4th. Texas at San Antonio is shaking hands with friends in the city.

RHEUMATISM CURED IN A DAY.

"Mystic Cure" for Rheumatism and Neuralgia radically cures in 1 to 3 days. Its action upon the system is remarkable and mysterious. It removes at once the cause and the disease immediately disappears. The first dose greatly benefits. 75c. Sold by Smith Bros. Druggists No 4. East Side Square.

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If you are hungry call on T. L. McMennany.

Have your photographs or any nice painting framed with the new moulding at City Drug Store

Old Thompson whiskey 16 years old at City Drug Store

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Sole agency Old Thompson, I. W. Harper. Paul Jones, Chase's Barley Malt, Meade's Genuine Canada Rye, whiskies and many other brands, for sale at City Drug Store.

During the holidays get a square meal at T L McMennany's, first door east of J. P. Dowell's hardware store.

A nice line of stationery at the Nickel Store.

Atty. M. H. Garnett went to Tyler yesterday afternoon on Legal business.

Xmas jugs filled with the very best, a specialty, at City Drug Store.

The Nickel Store is the place to get wedding presents.

What for sister's Xmas gift. We have nice atomizers, ladies' pocket books, manicure sets, nail polishers, mirrors, face powder boxes etc. SMITH BROS.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY.

Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund money if it fails to cure. 25c The genuine has L. B. Q. on each tablet.

Buy your Xmas whiskies where you get the best and Strictly pure at City Drug Store.

Mrs. Homer Murry of Plano is the guest of relatives in the city.

Dr. M. A. Simmons Liver Medicine has since 1840 steadily risen in public favor, and the demand for it far exceeds that of other Liver Medicine.

Your aged father or mother would receive with gratitude, a nice pair of eye glasses. We carry them from 50c to $10.00 a pair.
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Did you ever stop to think? How many nice things there is at D. Goodin's jewelry store that would make beautiful Christmas presents for your friends and loved ones. Here you will find the largest and best stock of jewelry in Collin county to select from.

Have you Wondered how you could make your Christmas gift meet the requirments of your purse? We considered this when we bought staple articles for Xmas presents. SMITH BROS.

Remember we club THE DEMOCRAT with Texas Farm & Ranch—both papers for $1.50.

Christmas books at the Nickel Store.

J. Day, the jeweler, cleaning watch $1; new mainspring in watch $1. All work guaranteed for twelve months. Shop north of Foote House, McKinney, Tex.

Many, Many Ladies' gifts in the way of fine perfumery in fine packages at Smith Bros.

Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy can always be depended upon and is pleasant and safe to take. Sold by City Drug Store.

Miss Mattie Ogilvie of Melissa is shopping in the city today.

Skin Diseases.

For the speedy and permanent cure of tetter, salt rheum and eczema, Chamberlain's Eye and Skin Ointment is without an equal. It relieves the itching and smarting almost instantly and its continued use effects a permanent cure. It also cures itch, barber's itch, scald head, sore nipples, itching piles, chapped hands, chronic sore eyes and granulated lids.

Dr. Cady's Condition Powders for horses are the best tonic, blood purifier and vermifuge. Price, 25 cents. Sold by City Drug Store.

Does "He" Smoke? It does not make any difference who "he" may be, he will enjoy a box of fine cigars. We have them put up in boxes of 25, 50 and 100 at 1.00, 1.25, 2, 4, 6, 8 and 12 dollars
SMITH BROS.

Nice vases at the Nickel Store.

Charlie Harrison of Sherman is in the city.

State of Ohio, City of Toledo }
Lucas County. } ss

Frank J. Cheney makes oath that he is the senior partner of the firm of F. J. Cheney & Co., doing business in the city of Toledo, county and state aforesaid, and that said firm will pay the sum of One Hundred Dollars for each and every case of catarrh that cannot be cured by the use of Halls Catarrh Cure. Frank J. Cheney.

Sworn to before me and subscribed in my presence, this 6th day of December, A. D. 1886.
{ SEAL } A. W. Gleason, Notary Public.

Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally and acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. Send for testimonials, free.
F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio.
Sold by druggists 75c. Hall's family Pills are the best.

Nice dolls at the Nickel Store.

Holiday goods, Pure Old Whisky, Apple Brandy, Peach Brandy, at City Drug Store.

Call and get two good papers for $1.50.

Just One snap shot of the youngster in just the position you wanted him is worth the price of a kodak. We have them from 4.00 to 15.00. SMITH BROS.

THE MODERN MOTHER.

Has found that her little ones are improved more by the pleasant Syrup of Figs, when in need of the laxative effect of a gentle remedy than, than by any other. Children enjoy it and it benefits them. The true remedy, Syrup of Figs, is manufactured by the California Fig Syrup Co. only.

W. A. Rhea who attended the Farmers Congress which met at Fort Worth as a state delegate says there was a large assemblage of the representative men engaged in agriculture throughout the United States. The intercourse between the North and South the East and West was very courteous and cordial and the free and full exchange of opinions, observative and experiments on agricultural lines were very instructive and interesting. The Farmers Congress is accomplishing much and should be given every needed encouragement. The next session will be in Boston Mass.

The Closing.

Again we stand and gaze at the departing year—gone from the earth forever!—bearing upon its bosom successful sails and battered hulks. In view of the fact that we stand in the presence of the New Year—yea, almost on the threshold of a new century!—it behooves all to renew their vows for good---look out, not only for the spiritual body, but for the health and wealth of the earthly body. This can be done by choosing first-class edibles — fresh and wholesome—sold at the least possible profit at T. J. Melton, the groceryman, on the east side of South Tennessee street—south of Collin County Bank. Get your holiday supply from Melton and be happy. Mr. Melton desires to thank his many friends for past patronage and solicits a continuance of favors.

Bowlby Buds.

Our school is progressing nicely.

Will Brakebill will return in a few days from Taylor county.

Mr. Ches Cline and Miss May Crutcher were married Tuesday.

John Johnson and Miss Stella Hartin were married last Sunday.

Rev. White of Blue Ridge is holding a protracted meeting at this place.

Monroe Watson and family left today for Denison where he will make his future home.

CENTRAL.

Two Pointed Questions Answered.

What is the use of making a better article than your competitor if you can not get a better price for it?

Ans.—As there is no difference in the price the public will buy only the better, so that while our profits may be smaller on a single sale they will much greater in the aggregate.

How can you get the public to know your make is the best?

If both articles are brought prominently before the public both are certain to be tried and the public will very quickly pass judgment on them and use only the better one.

This explains the large sale on Chamberlains Cough Remedy. The people have been using it for years and have found that it can always be depended upon. They may occasionally take up with some fashionable novelty put forth with exaggerated claims, but are certain to return to the one remedy that they know to be reliable, and for coughs colds and croup there is nothing equal to Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. For sale by City Drug Store.

List of Letters

Remaining unclaimed in the postoffice, at McKinney, Tex. Dec. 14, '98, which, if unclaimed, in two weeks, will be sent to Dead Letter Office at Washington, D. C:

LADIES.

Farr F B (2), Hill Roen, Huggins Mattie, Lawson Carel, Lindsey N C, McDonald Nanie, Martin Lillie, Thomas Georgie, Wilkins Ella.

GENTLEMEN.

Anglea D B, Campbell W M, Chastain Lee, Davis John, Draper T C, Evans David, Eynon Edwin, Gunter John, Grimes Sam, Hallickson W K, Haynes V F, Hayworth W C, Hill J H, Jones Will, Jones Henry, Johnson John C B, Johnson Margin, Kea G W, Lipscomb E S, Miliken G W, Pettway W D, Smallwood Jno, Watson John.

Persons calling for letters on this list must say "advertised" or they may fail to get them.

H. E. SMITH, Postmaster.

Whites Grove Whittlings.

Rabbit hunting is the order of the day since the snow.

Miss Lillie Allen visited the Misses Sperry's Sunday.

Gilbert Brown and Joe Railiff visited R. C. Craver Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. James White of Foncine has moved in our midst.

Mr. Henry Bonham and family of North Carolina have located in our community.

Several of our neighbors are expecting to spend the holidays with the old Folks at Home.

Farmers are kept busy at present looking after their stock and keeping a supply of wood.

Miss Mary Slater returned home last week after a two weeks visit with relatives at Farmersville.

Prof. Geo. Chance attended the Institute Friday and Saturday. He also made a flying visit to Anna Sunday.

J. L. Lovejoy was Here last last week looking after his farm interests and seeing after the conveniences of his tenants.

The entertainment at Mr. Vantreses last week was well attended and every one present seemed to enjoy themselves to the fullest extent.

Bro. Thomas the new M. E. pastor preached his first sermon at the Grove Sunday notwithstanding the inclemency of the weather he had a good sized congregration.

The Xmas tree at the Grove is a sure thing. The different communities are pushing the work and we are confident of a splendid success. Everybody is invited to attend and bring their presents.
Dec. 13, '98. BLACK EYES.

County Court Docket.

To Hon. J. H. Faulkner, County Judge, Collin county, Texas. We the committee appointed by your honor to set the civil docket would report as follows:

MONDAY DEC. 19TH.

4257 J W Hollander vs Western Union Telegraph Co.
5151 Collin County Bank vs J Woodall.
4446 A J Avon vs C Woodard et al.
4400 D. P. Johnson vs Kannie Pryor.
G W Owens & Co vs R Jackson.

JUDGES CIVIL DOCKET, TUESDAY DEC. 20TH.

4499 H B Clark vs B L Taylor.
4497 Ed S Largent vs Manly Beard.
5378 George Carroll vs Tom Nichols.
4423 Walter A Woods vs J R Blewer.

WEDNESDAY DEC 21ST

4444 W A Aston vs G W McCarley et al.
4195 A J Streeter vs J Woodall.
4262 J C Moore vs Glenn Barlow.
4471 S T Rogers vs E L Williams et al.
4460 S Weisman vs J T Couch.
4499 Hicks Hale & Co vs E L Williams.

THURSDAY DEC. 22ND.

4486 Henry Freund & Bros. vs Lewis E Penn et al.
4461 Jesse Shain vs M K & T Ry Co et al.
4480 Jno M McKinney et al vs J L White et al.

FRIDAY DEC 23RD

4475 Brinkerhoff & Faris vs N C Brinson.
4466 J T Starks vs McAdams & Co.

APPEARANCE DOCKET, WEDNESDAY DEC 28TH.

4467 T A Bailey vs C L Hamrick
4477 B F Hines vs T E Ball.
4476 B F Hines vs T E Ball.
4486 D K Allison vs M L Steffey.
Howell vs O N Wardlow.
4458 T J Todd vs T E Ball.

THURSDAY DEC. 29TH.

4482 W L Nelson et al vs L B Leland et al.
4483 Renner Roller Mill Co vs W M Cooper et al.
4484 A J Streeter vs J T Veasy.
4492 Dan Dudley vs N C Larken.
4493 Tom O Staples vs J M Brown et al.
4494 G W Owens & Co vs Robert Jackson.

FRIDAY DEC. 30TH.

4495 T J Jarnagan vs B W Rhine et al.
4496 Henry Jarnagan vs B W Rhine et al.
4498 F B Woodruff vs V C Coleman.
4500 United States School Furniture Co vs J C Saunders.
4502 S H Abbott vs Hiron H Berry.
4503 J J Kellum vs W F Pearce.

Respectfully Submitted,
H. L. DAVIS.
W. M. ABERNATHY,
R. C. MERRITT,
Committee.

Now is the Opportunity.

To visit the old home. Account of the holidays the M. K. & T. Ry. will sell round trip tickets to points in the Southeast on Dec. 20th. and 21st., good for thirty days from date of sale for return. For further particulars call on the nearest M. K. & T. ticket agent or write. W. G. CRUSH.
G. P. & T. A., M. K. & T. Ry.
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Don't go off to other towns to buy holiday goods. McKinney merchants have what you want and will treat you right. Patronize home merchants.

Secret Orders.

Order of Eastern Star, Mrs W B Newsome, W M., A B Carroll, W P, Meets 1st and 3d Tuesdays.

Defiance Lodge 28 K of P., Pat Moulden, C C., J M Muse, K of R & S Meets every Tuesday night.

Loya Council 52 Jr O U A M Scott Allison, C., W L Keen, R S., S. Meets every Friday night in their hall, E. Louisiana street.

Hiawatha Tribe 22 Red Men, G R Smith, Sachem; M E Gerrish, C of R. Meets every Thursday night at opera house,

Haggai Chapter 53 R. A. M., John Church, H. P.; B. W. Rhine, Sec. Meets every 4th Monday.

Thos. H. Murray Lodge 1057 K & L of H; C H Lake, Prot; J L Todd, Sec. Meets every 2d and 4th Monday nights.

J W Throckmorton Camp 109 U C V, Wm. Abernathy, Com; C H Lake, Adj't. Meets every 1st Sunday.

St John's Lodge 51 A. F. & A. M John D. Page, W. M., R. F. Dowell, Sec. Meets every 4th Saturday night.

Empire Lodge No. 68 I O. O. F John Church, N. G.; R. N. Adams, Secretary. Meets every Thursday night.

Rebekah Lodge 85 I O O F, Mrs. Lula Robinson, N G; Mrs Dr J A Caldwell, Sec. Meets every Friday night

Lynda Encampment 33 I O O F, W N Collier, C. P., Meyer Smith, Scribe. Meets 1st and 3d Monday nights.

Magnolia Camp 431 W O W; A J Caldwell, C C; J C Saunders, Clerk. Meets every Monday night at Woodmen's hall, south side square.

Goldenrod Temple No. 16, Rathbone Sisters, meets first, second and third Tuesday afternoons in every month at 3 o'clock, also on fourth Monday at 7 o'clock p.m. Mrs M H Garnett, M E C; Miss Louise Atkinson, M of R and C.

Church Directory.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.—Rev. W. H Richardson, pastor.
Services every Sabbath at 11 a. m. and 7 p. m. Sunday school at 9:30 a. m. Prayer meeting Wednesday evening at 7 o'clock. All invited.

CUMBERLAND PRESBYTERIAN.—J. W. Stephens, pastor.
Services every Sabbath at 11 a. m. and 7 p. m. Sabbath School at 9:45 a. m Prayer meeting Wednesday evening at 7.

CHRISTIAN CHURCH.—S. K. Hallum pastor.
Services every Lord's day at 11 a. m and 7 p. m. Prayer meeting Wednesday evening at 7. Sunday school at 9.30 a. m. Christian Endeavor 6 p. m. Everybody invited.

CHURCH OF CHRIST SCIENTIST.—Services every Sunday at 11 a. m. and 4 30 p. m. at the Andrews' residence, All cordially invited.

FIRST BAPTIST.—E. E. King, Pastor.
Services every Sunday at 11 a. m. and 7 p. m. Sunday School at 9.45 a. m. B. Y. P. U. at 3 p. m Prayer meeting every Wednesday evening.

Star Routes.

Leaves McKinney at 6 a. m. daily for Lebanon, Rockhill, Foncine, Prosper and Erudia.
Arrives at McKinney at 7 p. m. daily from Lebanon, Rockhill, Foncine, Prosper and Erudia.

Leaves McKinney at 1:30 p. m. daily for Weston, Roland and Chambersville
Arrives at McKinney at 11:30 a. m. daily from Weston, Roland and Chambersville.

Leaves McKinney at 6:00 a. m. daily for Celina, Vineland, Rhea Mill and Roseland.
Arrives at McKinney at 7 p. m. daily from Celina, Vineland, Rhea Mill, and Roseland.

Leaves McKinney at 1 p. m. daily for Blue Ridge, Altoga and Verona.
Arrives at McKinney at 12:30 p. m. daily from Blue Ridge, Altoga and Verona.

Leaves McKinney at 1 p. m. daily for Wylie and Lucas.
Arrives at McKinney at 12 m. daily from Wylie and Lucas.

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Our Stock of Glass ware is Complete

We have a nice line of of nickel plated copper goods. Our Tinware department is full. An excellent line of Table Cutlery. Granite Ironware of all kinds. Clocks.

Sausage Grinders, Grind stones,

Smooth Irons, Lanterns, Lamp Chimneys, Window Shades: Mattress Springs. Quilts, Comforts. Our bed room Suits are hard to surpass.

Our Stock of Bedsteads is Hard to Beat.

And when you strike our Rocking Chair department, we have them in 30 styles, and they are going to sell. Children's Chairs : Bureaus, Dressers Wash stands Ward robes, Folding Beds, Book cases, Extension tables, Plain Tables, Center tables, Boy's Wagons, Lard Cans.

And remember that we have the largest stock of Picture Molding Ever Seen in McKinney

And that we are better prepared to frame your pictures than anyone els and will frame them for about half price until January 1st.

We have a Second Hand Store apart from our new store which enables us to exchange new cook Stoves for second hand, and New Furniture for old or we will pay cash for all kinds of Second Hand Goods, and will fit you up for House Keeping for less money than any other place in North Texas. Remember the place, one door east of post office.

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A NICE CHICAGO COTTAGE ORGAN IN GOOD SHAPE FOR SALE OR TRADE AT J. T. NALE'S, ONE DOOR EAST OF POSTOFFICE.

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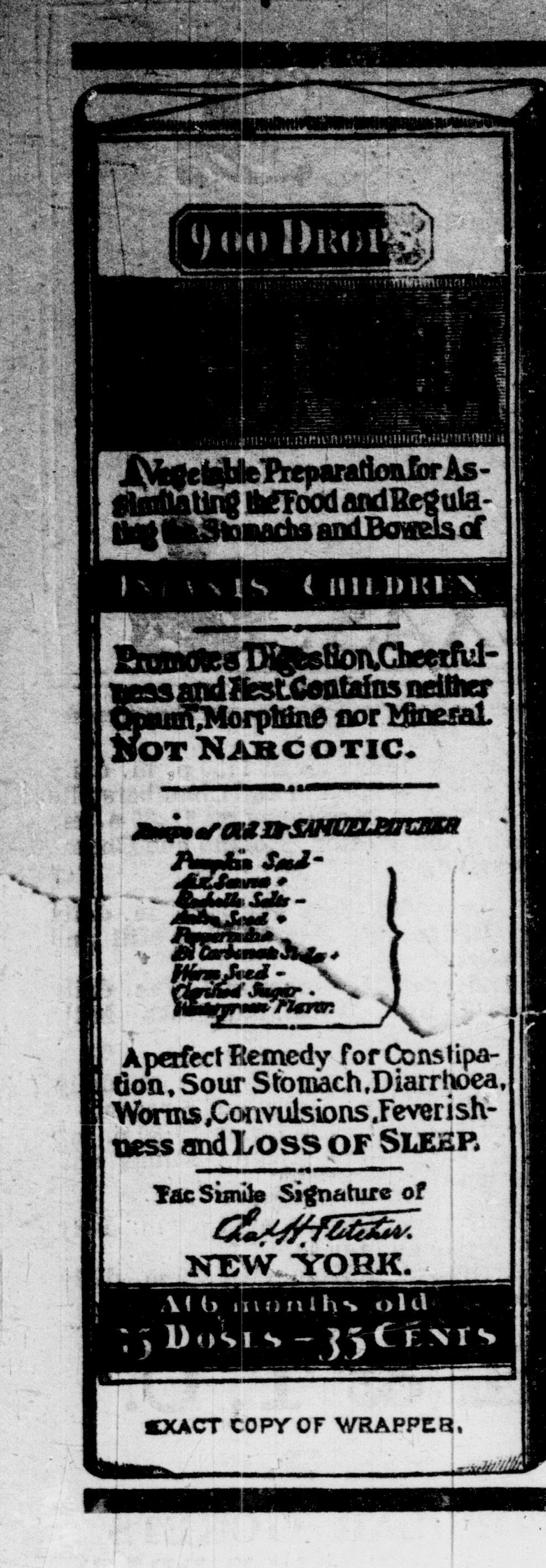
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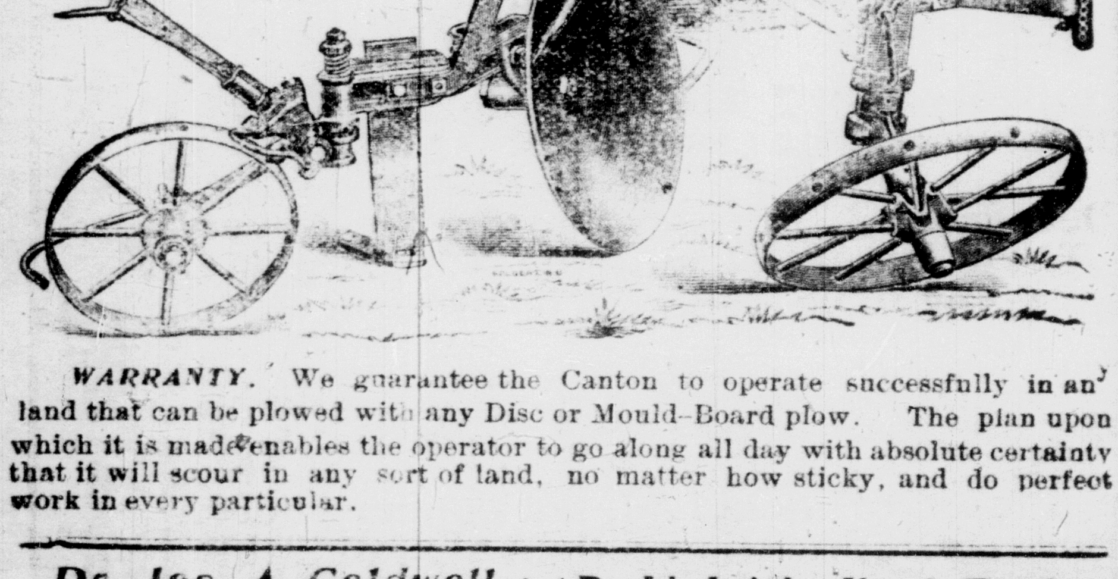

WARRANTY. We guarantee the Canton to operate successfully in any land that can be plowed with any Disc or Mould-Board plow. The plan upon which it is made enables the operator to go along all day with absolute certainty that it will scour in any sort of land, no matter how sticky, and do perfect work in every particular.

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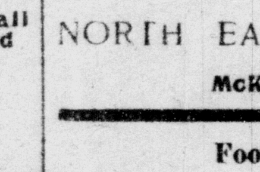

J. C. N. Smith

Dentist.

OFFICE
NORTH EAST COR. SQUARE.
McKinney, Texas.

Foot Ball Team.

The following is a list of McKinney's foot ball team which has lately been organized and has played some fine and interesting practice games lately. They have adopted old gold and green as their colors and they are determined to carry them to victory. Long live the team, and success to their efforts. Here is the personel:

John Dowell, C; Will Morgett, R. G.; Wince Eastes, L. G.; Tarpley, R. T.; Tucker, L. T.; Mack Cline, R. E.; Hilary Ball, L. E.; June Melton, Q. B.; Conant King, F. B; Edwin Doggett, R.H. B.; Ran McDonald, L.H.B.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Anthony of Plano are visiting in the city.

BANK CHECK DECISION.

Depositor Not Required to Pay War Tax to Draw His Own Money.

J. D. Robinson, ex-prosecuting attorney of Boone county, secured from Washington a verdict which has novel features and is of national importance, Robinson recently entered the Boone County National Bank, of Columbia, Mo., and endeavored to secure payment on a check payable to himself out of his own money, then on deposit in the bank. The cashier refused payment on the ground that there was no revenue stamp on the check presented by Robinson. Robinson threatened to appeal to Washington, and when the bank persisted in its refusal, did so. The case being taken before Atty. Gen. John W. Grigg, a decision was almost immediately secured and Robinson received a verdict in his favor, that compels the bank to pay the money demanded by the check. The decision was to the effect that a person may draw money on a check without a stamp, provided the check be payable to himself, from his own funds on deposit in the bank in question. The verdict states further that a check payable to another party is invalid unless it bears a revenue stamp. In other words, a person is entitled to his own money at any time, regardless of the stamp otherwise required.—Globe Democrat.

County Court Docket.

To Hon. J. H. Faulkner, your committee appointed to assign the criminal docket beg leave to report as follows:

MONDAY DEC. 12TH.

No. 3643 State of Texas vs Steve Harrison.
No 3656 State of Texas vs Jim Anderson.
No 3654 State of Texas vs Pearl Wilson.
3658 State of Texas vs Ed Whites.
3670 State of Texas vs Claude Patterson.
3668 State of Texas vs Earle Obenshain.
3671 State of Texas vs George Chadwick.
3672 State of Texas vs George Chadwick.

TUESDAY DEC. 13TH.

3573 State of Texas vs D N Scott.
3645 State of Texas vs Red Dudley.
3651 State of Texas vs Red Dudley.
3667 State of Texas vs Dick Jordon.
3640 State of Texas vs Roy McAmie.
3676 State of Texas vs Dempsy Bass et al.

WEDNESDAY DEC. 14TH

3694 State of Texas vs Will Weaver.
3688 State of Texas vs Frank Kerr.
3684 State of Texas vs E S Daugherty.
3685 State of Texas vs E S Daugherty.
3696 State of Texas vs Tom Cutshow.
3695 State of Texas vs Charley Fletcher.
3689 State of Texas vs Jim Cutshow et al.
3690 State of Texas vs Jim Cutshow.
3666 State of Texas vs Jake Wilkinson.
3672 State of Texas vs Clarence Miller.

THURSDAY DEC. 15TH.

State of Texas vs J M Weaver.
3673 State of Texas vs Andy Spencer.
3613 State of Texas vs John Lockhart.
3592 State of Texas vs John Lockhart.
3617 State of Texas vs John Lockhart.
3565 State of Texas vs Bob Jones.

MONDAY DEC. 19TH.

3596 State of Texas vs Matthew Click.

Respectfully submitted,
G. R. SMITH.
WALLACE HUGHSTON
W. C. JONES,
Committee.

MONTHLY SUFFERING.

Thousands of women are troubled at monthly intervals with pains in the head, back, breasts, shoulders, sides hips and limbs. But they need not suffer.

These pains are symptoms of dangerous derangements that can be corrected. The menstrual function should operate painlessly.

McELREE'S Wine of Cardui

makes menstruation painless, and regular. It puts the delicate menstrual organs in condition to do their work properly. And that stops all this pain. Why will any woman suffer month after month when Wine of Cardui will relieve her? It costs $1.00 at the drug store. Why don't you get a bottle to-day?

For advice, in cases requiring special directions, address, giving symptoms, "The Ladies' Advisory Department," The Chattanooga Medicine Co., Chattanooga, Tenn.

Mrs. ROZENA LEWIS, of [illegible], Texas, says: "I was troubled at monthly intervals with terrible pains in my head and back, but have been entirely relieved by Wine of Cardui."

Baby's Coming

means pain, danger and possible death for some wives. For others it means practically no discomfort at all. There is no reason why childbirth should be a period of pain and dread. Several months before a woman becomes a mother she should prepare herself for the critical ordeal. There is a preparation made which is intended for this purpose alone.

The name of this wonderful preparation is

Mother's Friend.

It is a liniment to be applied externally. It relaxes the muscles and relieves the distension, gives elasticity to every organ concerned in childbirth, and takes away all danger and nearly all suffering. Best results follow if the remedy is used during the whole period of pregnancy. It is the only remedy of the kind in the world that is endorsed by physicians.

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FREE BOOKS containing invaluable information for all women, will be sent to any address upon application to

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HAS AN INTERESTING CAREER.

R. S. Wheat a Veteran of Three Wars and Fought at San Jacinto.

R. S. Wheat of Sherman, who has taken an active part in three wars and was one of the heroes of San Jacinto, says the San Antonio Express, is visiting in the city. Though nearly 80 years old, he does not look to be more than 65. He is hale and hearty and in complete possession of all his faculties. He is most sociable in disposition and delights to tell interested listeners of the battles in which he fought, of the hairbreadth escapes he has had from Indians, and to relate other episodes in his career.

One of his most interesting reminiscenses is of an adventure which befell him in the battle of San Jacinto, in which he fought when only 16 years old. After the Texans had exhausted their ammunition and had engaged in a hand to hand conflict with the enemy a Mexican with an uplifted gun was in the act of clubbing Wheat over the head, when the latter, with a quick leap, sprang under his antagonist's weapon and then himself plunged his Bowie knife into the Mexican, who fell dead at his feet. This thrilling scene is reproduced in McArdie's famous picture of San Jacinto, a photograph copy of which can be seen hanging in the Alamo.

Mr. Wheat is now visiting his niece, Mrs. John S. Bristol, where he will remain perhaps a month.

FROM THE SAVANNAH SOLDIERS.

The Second Division of the 7th Army Corps Leave for Havana, Cuba.

Camp Onward, Savannah, Ga., Dec. 7th, '98—The first brigade, 2nd division, of the 7th army corps will board transports for Havana today and will be closely followed by the entire command as fast as the ships are made ready. The second divsion moves first on account of Gen. Green, commanding that divsion, is now in Havana, a member of the evacuation commission. The first division, headed by the 1st Texas, is expected to leave next week. Gen. Lee and staff, however, will go with the 2nd division this week.

The last general review of the 7th corps in this country was had before Gen. Lee yesterday. President McKinley was to review the command on the 15th but by that time most of the troops will be across the water. Eighteen regiments of infantry and nineteen batteries of artillery were in yesterday's review and the local papers advertise it as the grandest military display since the civil war. The Savannah Hussars in full dress uniform acted body guard for Gen. Lee and the glittering colors of their ancient Roman costumes added much to the scene. The train of heavy artillery was over a mile in length. These reviews are indeed a treat to the spectators but not so nice to the men who walk ten miles to furnish the scene.

I had the pleasure of calling on Maj. W. S. Scott, formerly of Melissa, and brother of Capt. Scott of that place, Monday. Maj. Scott is adjutant general of the 1st division under Maj-Gen. Warren Kieffer, and was detached from the regular army to fill his present position.

Perhaps the largest government hospital in America is being erected here now as a permanent hospital for the sick from Cuba. It consists of 48 wooden buildings 30x120 feet and two stories high.

The weather is getting uncomfortably cold here now and all seem delighted with the prospects of going to tropical Cuba

C. C. W.

Charlie Paddy and Bass Brown of Van Alstyne Sundayed in our city.

GENERAL GARCIA HAS PASSED AWAY.

The Noted Cuban Patriot Dies of Pneumonia at Washington.

BELOVED BY HIS PEOPLE IN CUBA.

Stood With Gomez For the Liberation of Cuba From the Tyranny of Spain.

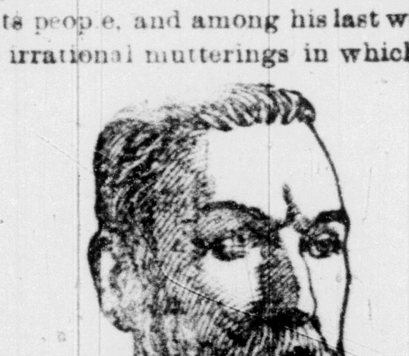
WORKED HARD AND SUFFERED FOR FREEDOM.

He Lived to See the Struggle of His Life Attained, and Was a Delegate to Perfect Arrangements For Cubans.

Washington, Dec 12.—General Calixto Garcia, the distinguished Cuban warrior and leader, and the head of the commission elected by the Cuban assembly to visit this country, died here Sunday at the Hotel Raleigh, where the commission has its headquarters. The sudden change from the warm climate of Cuba with the hardships he had there endured, to the wintry weather of New York and Washington, is responsible for the pneumonia which resulted in his demise.

He contracted a slight cold in New York, which did not assume an alarming stage until the early part of last week. On Tuesday night General Garcia in company with the other members of the commission attended a dinner given in his honor by General Miles, and it was a result of the exposure that night which culminated in his death.

During the 12 hours' or more preceding dissolution General Garcia was unconscious most of the time. At intervals he recognized one or more of those about him. In his dying moments, as all through his busy and active life, his thoughts were for his beloved country and its people, and among his last words were irrational mutterings in which he



GENERAL GARCIA.

gave orders to a son, who is on his staff, for the battle which he supposed was to occur tomorrow, and in which he understood there were only 400 Spaniards to combat. Just before he died he embraced his son.

Rev. Father Magee of St. Patrick's church was called in during the day, and was with General Garcia until the end, administering the last rites of the Catholic church. Other members of the commission and Dr. Rubens, their counsel in this country, were also in the bed chamber when the end came.

The remains were immediately prepared for burial and were placed on a bier in the room in which he died. A large Cuban flag served as a covering and the head rested on one of smaller dimensions. The face and bust were left exposed to public view. The features had a remarkable lifelike appearance and gave no indication of sufferings which he had borne. Just above the head rested a magnificent floral piece of red and white roses and cross of palms tied with a pure white ribbon.

By direction of Major General Miles a detachment of soldiers from battery B, Sixth artillery, at the barracks here, under command of Lieutenant Cox was detailed as a body guard for the remains.

After General Garcia's death steps were taken to notify the government officials here and also the executive committee of the Cuban assembly which has its headquarters at Marianao, Cuba.

As soon as the death became known a number of visitors, including many public men, came to the hotel to express their condolences. President McKinley manifested his sympathy by sending a suitably worded letter and Vice President Hobart sent his card. Among those who called were Senators Foraker, Money, Proctor and Chandler, and Major Generals Lawton and Wheeler.

General Garcia left a large family, only one of whom, Justo Garcia, a captain of his staff, was with him when he died. His widow and Mercedes, a daughter, 17 years of age, are at Thomasville, Ga., where the girl is quite ill. Mariano, a son 19 years of age, is also with his mother at Thomasville. Colonel Carlos Garcia, another son, is in Cuba. His daughter Leonord, who married an American, is now living in Paris. General Garcia's mother is still alive and resides in Havana.

General Garcia whose name will ever be linked with those of other patriots who have fought against unequal odds for the freedom of his country, has had a most active and varied life, much of which has been spent in fighting for the cause of Cuban liberty which he has had the satifaction of seeing accomplished so short time before his death. He was a man of culture and refinement, of splendid education and came from a distinguished family of Jiquani of Santiago de Cuba province. He was born in Corquino Oct. 14, 18[illegible] General Garcia was educated in Havana and in Spain.

The arrangements for the funeral of General Garcia have not yet been completed. The expectation is that services will be held in one of the Catholic churches here, possibly St. Patricks, tomorrow, after which the remains will be placed temporarily in a receiving vault pending final interment in Cuba.

THE PRESIDENT MAY VISIT CUBA.

This Can Be Done Without Violating Any Constitutional Clause,

CUBA VIRTUALLY AMERICAN SOIL.

Until the Stars and Stripes Are Displaced by the Cuban Flag It Will Remain Such.

SOME TALK OF HIS GOING TO PORTO RICO.

There Is no Certainty of This, but His Trip to Havana Has Almost Reached a Stage Beyond a Doubt.

Washington, Dec. 12.—A report that the president intends to visit Cuba and Porto Rico at the first favorable opportunity, has become know in the state, war and navy departments, and was quickly made the subject of serious speculation among various officials on account of the exceedily interesting questions it raised. Among other things there was a spontaneous revival of the fiction that the chief executive could not pass the boundaries of the United States without forfeiting his office. It is peculiar how persistent is the notion even among higher officials that some constitutional or statutory restriction confines the executive to American soil, when, as a matter of fact, although none of President McKinley's predecessors have ever left the country during their terms of office, their actions were alone effected by considerations of propriety or prudence, which no one could hold to apply in the present instance.

It was generally recognized that the president might naturally wish to make a personal tour of inspection in those islands as soon as he could spare time from pressing public business in Washington, and that no valid objection against such a tour as he was understood to contemplate. It is pointed out, however, that it would be practically impossible for him to spare the time requisite for such an extended voyage as that to Porto Rico before congress adjourns on March 4, which is, fortunately, about the best time of the year to make a short stay in the tropics. During the first six weeks of the new year, in addition to the continuous executive routine business, the social obligations involved in the programme of public receptions and state dinners would restrict the president closely to Washington, and after next week's southern tour he will hardly find it possible to leave the White House for more than two days at a time before the middle of February. For the ensuing two weeks with the rush of legislation which marks the closing days of a short session of congress, there will be no leisure for the executive, and therefore his pennant will hardly fly in the harbors of Porto Rico before the middle of March.

With Havana only a single night's for the dispatch boat Dolphin from Tampa, there might be a chance for the president to spend two whole days there in a week's absence from Washington, and remain always in close telegraphic communication with the executive departments so that if a critical emergency occurred he could be in a railway train speeding toward the capitol within 12 hours. No thought is entertained however, of a presidential trip to Havana before the Spanish flag is hauled down on Jan. 1.

Practically unanimity of opinion prevails among officials that the contemplated visit of the president to Havana has a full warrant as his trip to Porto Rico so long as the American flag flies over Cuba although a few quibblers may hold that Porto Rico itself is not actually a part of the United States' territory until congress has made a declaration to that effect, either in so many words or by ratifying the peace treaty of Paris. This fine point is not seriously raised except to show that Porto Rico and Cuba must be considered identical in view of the fact that they are governed precisely alike, by military officers under the immediate direction of the president as commander-in-chief. The belief is expressed that the president would not care to set foot in Cuba if it were held to be foreign territory much as he might wish to see the country for that might be a perilous precedent to establish. But no one appears to controvert the right as well as the advisability of an executive visit to the new American possessions, provided it does not involve too long an enforced absence from Washington.

When the president visits Porto Rico and Cuba he will undoubtedly be accompanied by Mrs McKinley and several members of the cabinet with their wives, and although the stay of the party in each port visited will not be longer than a single day, an absence of two weeks from Washington will be necessary. It is possible that Secretary Alger and several army officers will go to San Juan, Santiago, Havana and other points in the [illegible] president visits these places.

WILL BE MORE SECRET.

United States Will Follow A [illegible] In Giving Our Naval Policy

Washington, Dec. 12.—Action has been taken by Secretary Long to withhold information concerning American naval affairs from foreign governments. A regulation has been issued announcing that "formal official information for attaches and other foreign officials in Washington or abroad will be furnished through the bureau of navigation by the office of naval intelligence." This regulation is due largely to the refusal of foreign governments to give to American officers information which they seek. Hitherto the authorities have been very open with foreign attaches, but in the future it is likely the secrecy which exists abroad will be followed here.

Naval Constructor Hobson has been at the [illegible] his orders to proceed to Hong Kong to supervise the reconstruction of the cruisers Don Juan de Austria, Isla de Cuba and Isla de Luzon. He desired a short leave, but the department was compelled to refuse the request because of the necessity of getting to Hong Kong as soon as possible. Mr. Hobson will sail on the steamer leaving San Francisco on Dec. 24.

River and Harbor Bill.

Washington, Dec. 12.—The house committee on rivers and harbors had a meeting and discussed the preliminaries as to hearings which are to be given members who desire appropriations for rivers and harbors. The committee desires to have all hearings completed before the holidays so that the bill may be presented to the house early in January.

HEADEND COLLISION.

Two Passenger Trains Come Together, Injuring a Number of People.

Menominee, Mich., Dec. 1.—Two passenger trains on the Chicago and Northwestern railroad collided head on at 8 o'clock Saturday, 100 feet from the Menominee iron bridge. Both engines were badly smashed. A number of passengers were slightly hurt and some women fainted. H. Hannah, the fireman on the northbound train, was badly injured and had to be cut out of wreck. Engineer Killian, of the southbound train, was badly injured about the head. Both trains were running at about the same speed and they sustained about equal damage.

Debenture Company in Trouble.

New Orleans, Dec. 12.—The German-American Debenture company, another one of the concerns promoted by Jasper W. Russ, who left the city just prior to the collapse of the Metropolitan Bond and Loaning association, is in a bad way. Saturday was the day for the payment of the subsidy bonds, but the concern was unable to meet the obligations. A large crowd of indignant holders of shares crowded into the office and blockaded the Carondolet street sidewalk clamoring for their money. Chief of Police Coster had to send a squad of police to prevent trouble. It was stated at the office of the concern that the German-American was in good condition, but sometime ago took in the Union Debenture company and there was a $30,000 deficit in the affairs of the latter which caused the trouble.

NEWS IN BRIEF.

One case of smallpox has appeared at Fort Worth, Tex.

Sam Williams was killed and his son George seriously wounded at Shiloh, Ark., in a fight with Jim Ramer and his son. An old grudge was the cause.

Lawrence, Kramer, after an absence of 50 years, returned to his home at St. Louis, a wealthy miner.

James Anderson, an East St. Louis railroad man, shot himself in the head to end his troubles.

The last double screw steamer Hartford, has been sold to the government.

The tax on Kentucky whisky in bond for 1899 has been lowered from $8 to $7 a barrel.

An opened mail pouch was found on the trucks of a freight car near Green Ridge, Ills.

An Oklahoma man, whose ear was bitten off in a fight, sues his assailant for $2500 damages.

West and Stubblefield, the Sedalia, Mo., train robbers, were held with bail for the criminal court

Charles Bass, a brother of the train robber, killed himself at Dallas, Tex., by injecting morphine.

The bank of Taylor & McClure at Arrowsmith, Ills., was robbed. Dynamite was used to open the safe.

Governor Tanner commuted the sentence of Lawrence Farley, imprisoned for murder, so that he will be released Christmas day.

The Missouri supreme court reversed judgment giving damages to a locomotive fireman injured through acts of a fellow-servant.

Another Tobacco Company.

Trenton, N. J., Dec. 16.—Articles of incorporation of the Centennial Tobacco company have been filed with the secretary of state in this city. The capital stock is $75,000,000, one-half of which is to be preferred, with 7 per cent noncumulative dividends, payable quarterly. The company is authorized to cure leaf tobacco and manufacture tobacco in all its forms.

Imprisonment for Life.

South McAlester, I. T., Dec. 12.—On Feb. 17 last William Parker killed a peddler named James McFadden, near Whitefield. Parker has been convicted of the crime in the United States court here and was sentenced by Judge Clayton to imprisonment for life.

Cattlemen Will Pick Cotton.

Perry, O. T., Dec. 12.—It seems now that cattlemen in Oklahoma and Indian Territory will pick the remainder of the cotton in the fields. There are thousands of acres of cotton not touched so far as picking is concerned, and cattlemen are paying a certain amount per acre and turning their cattle in on cotton. Farmers say that at the present low price of cotton it will not pay them to pick during cold weather.

THE WORK MAPPED OUT FOR CONGRESS.

Nicaragua Canal Bill Will Be Placed Before the Senate For Disposal by Mr. Morgan.

Washington, Dec. 12.—Beyond the first three days there is no programme mapped out for the house this week. Today will be devoted to the consideration of business relating to the District of Columbia, and on Tuesday the District of Columbia appropriation bill will be taken up. This is in pursuance of the determination of the leaders to give the appropriation bills the right of way whenever one is ready.

The appropriations subcommittee on pensions has commenced work on the pension appropriation bill, but it can hardly be ready before next week. It is confidently expected, however, that it will be passed before the holidays.

Chairman Hull of the military affairs committee is exceedingly anxious to get the army reorganization bill into the house at the earliest possible moment as he is particularly solicitous that it should pass the house before the holidays. The future policy of the government is ordained in the bill for the increase of the standing army and the whole subject will be opened up. The Democrats are divided upon the question of increasing the regular army, but how far the opposition will go in antagonizing the measure it is impossible to forecast.

The course of proceedings in the senate this week will depend upon the disposition that is made of the Nicaragua canal bill. It is Senator Morgan's intention to call up this measure today, and he has expressed the hope that he will secure action at today's session. Few of his most sanguine workers agree with him in this opinion and the best indication is that unless an agreement can be reached for postponement, several days at least will be consumed in its consideration. The opponents of the measure will meet its supporters with a proposition to defer consideration until after the Christmas holidays, and they will give as their reason for this request the fact that the report of the government commission appointed to investigate the feasibility of the canal has not yet been made, urging the importance of receiving the information which the commission will be able to furnish before acting upon so important a question. If the bill is taken up in earnest it will consume the greater portion of the senate's time until finally disposed of.

Another subject on the calender is the anti-scalping bill, passed by the house last week, which Senator Cullom has informed the senate he will seek to get up at an early day, but he will meet with opposition if he makes the effort and is not likely to succeed thus early in the session.

The urgent army deficiency bill will receive attention early in the week.

MUST CALL CHINA DOWN.

American and British Interests Demand Some Change In China.

Shanghai, Dec. 10.—John Barrett, formerly United States minister to Siam, returned here after visiting Pekin and principal Chinese ports. He says the situation in China is of the most critical nature and that Manchuria is no longer Chinese, but Russian territory. He also asserts that New Chwang, the chief northern port for the movement of American products, is also practically Russian and liable to be closed any day. The only permanent safeguard paramount to American and British interests, Mr. Barrett says, is the immediate and united action by interested governments to demand the integrity of the Chinese empire, to enforce reforms in the government, to prevent further cessations of ports and provinces and to insist upon an "open door" policy in all ports of China, involving spheres of influence claimed by Russia, Germany and France. Otherwise, Mr. Barrett contends, the partition of the Chinese empire will seriously curtail the field of trade by disastrously affecting American and British influences in Asia.

The Prisoners Had $1000.

Texarkana, Ark., Dec. 10.—Charley Mayer, W. C. White and Joe Coleman, the men who were jailed here on suspicion of robbing J. H. Helm of Peoria, Ills., at the union station here were the cause of quite a sensation here. The officers believed from their appearance that they were faikirs, so they stripped them, and were surprised to find over $900 sewed up in the lining of their clothing. This makes a total of about $1000 in possession of the men at the time of arrest. A special grand jury has been impanneled, and is inquiring into the nature of the case.

Failed to Agree.

Albany, Dec. 10.—The jury in the Cody blackmailing case after being out 54 hours has failed to reach an agreement and has been discharged.

Catarrh Leads to Consumption.

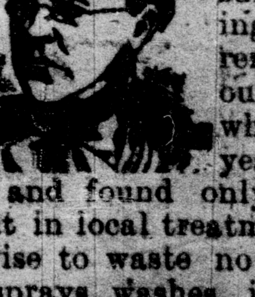
A Forerunner of the Most Fatal Disease.

Though its offensive features are sometimes almost unbearable, few people are aware of the danger of which Catarrh is the forerunner. Catarrh invariably leads to Consumption. Growing worse and worse each winter, those who rely upon the usual treatment of sprays, washes and inhaling mixtures find that it is impossible to check the disease with these local applications which only reach the surface. The offensive discharge increases all the while, causing a feeling of personal defilement, and gets deeper and deeper until it is only a question of a short time until the lungs are affected.

The importance of the proper treatment can therefore be readily appreciated. But no good whatever can be expected from local applications, as such treatment never did cure Catarrh, and never will.

"I had such a severe case of Catarrh that I lost my hearing in one ear, and part of the bone in my nose sloughed off. I was constantly treated with sprays and washes, but each winter the disease seemed to have a firmer hold on me. I had finally been declared incurable when I decided to try S. S. S. It seemed to get right at the seat of the disease, and cured me permanently, for I have had no touch of Catarrh for seven years.

"MRS. JOSEPHINE POLHILL,
"Due West, S. C."



Those who have had the first touch of Catarrh will save endless suffering by taking the right remedy at the outset. Others who have for years sought relief and found only disappointment in local treatment will find it wise to waste no further time on sprays, washes, inhaling mixtures, etc., which are only temporary and can not save them from Consumption. Catarrh is a deep-seated blood disease. S. S. S. is the only remedy which can reach the very bottom of the disease and cure it permanently.

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